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# THE XCELLENT

PARENTAL  
ADVISORY





They lived, they loved, they fought and they died...a lot. The mutant team known as X-STATIX rose to celebrity acclaim by showcasing their death-defying missions to the adoring public. But after many missions (and many replacement teammates), the team disbanded, never to be heard from again.

That is, until the daughter of former member U-GO GIRL, Katie Jones, manifested teleportation abilities that attracted not just the survivors of X-Statix, but also a new team of young, eccentric mutants called...

# THE X-CELLENT

PREVIOUSLY...

Zeitgeist, the deceased leader of X-Force (now known as the X-Statix), is back! And this time, he's brought with him a team of conniving, cutthroat mutants eager to steal the celebrity spotlight from the X-Statix!

Most recently, the X-Cellent stole a spell from Doctor Strange's *Book of the Vishanti*. With this spell and the use of his social media, Zeitgeist plans to achieve godhood! But Zeitgeist's abusive behavior is starting to turn his team against him. He's already fended off a coup attempt by Mirror Girl, Toodle Pip and the sentient machine, Dox.

In the aftermath, Pip and Dox are dead, and Zeitgeist is now a god!

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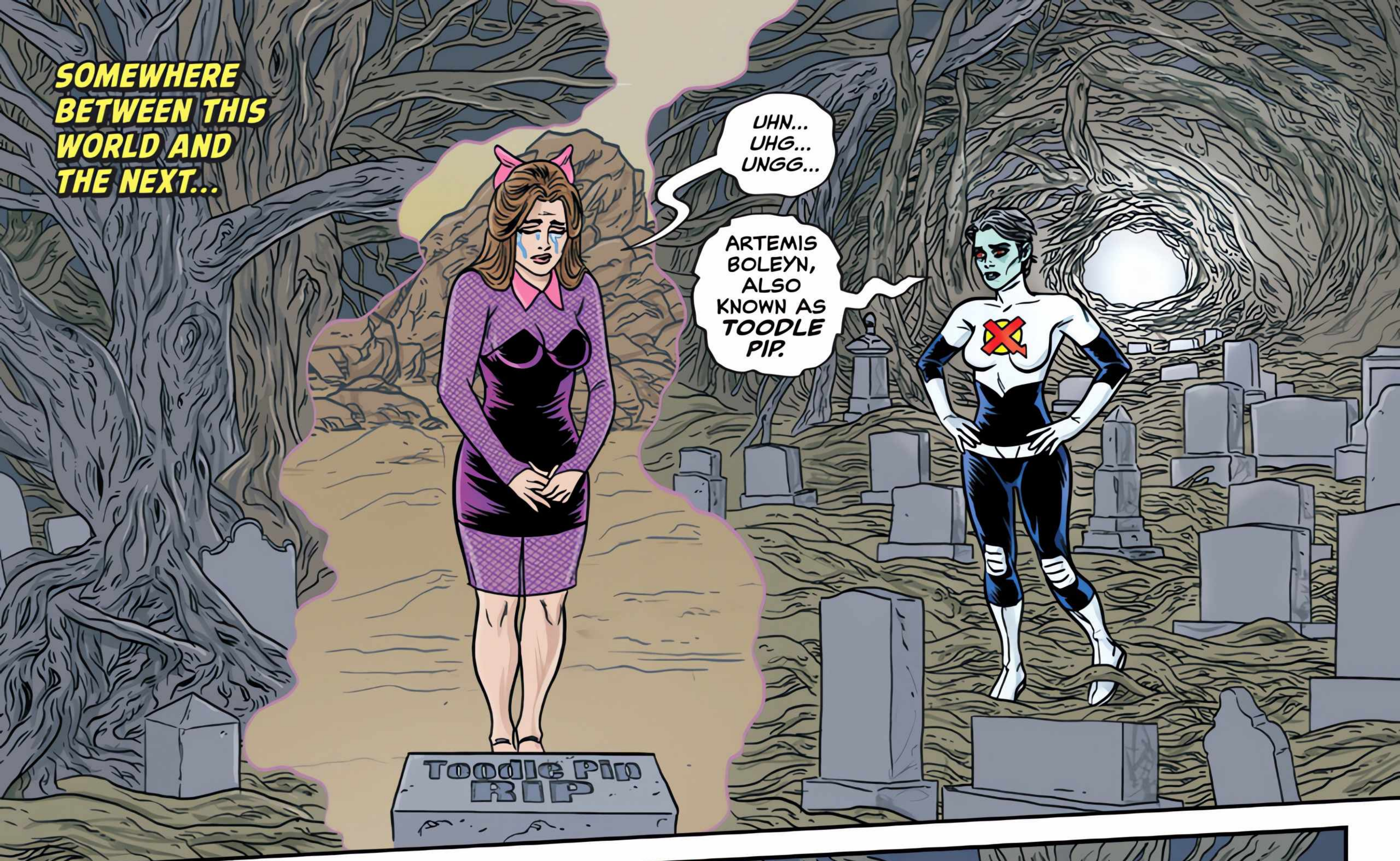
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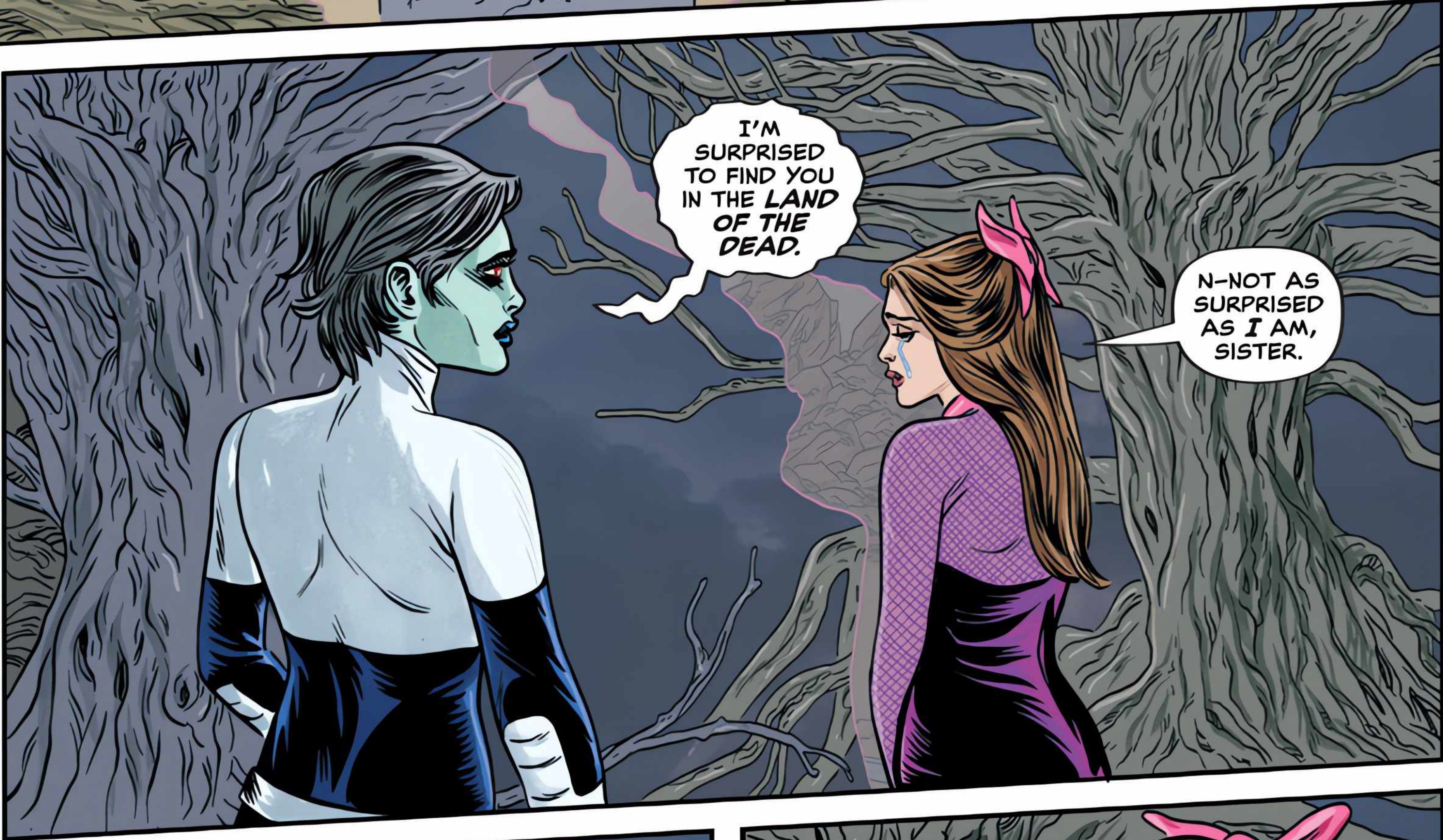
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BETWEEN THIS  
WORLD AND  
THE NEXT...



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UNGG...

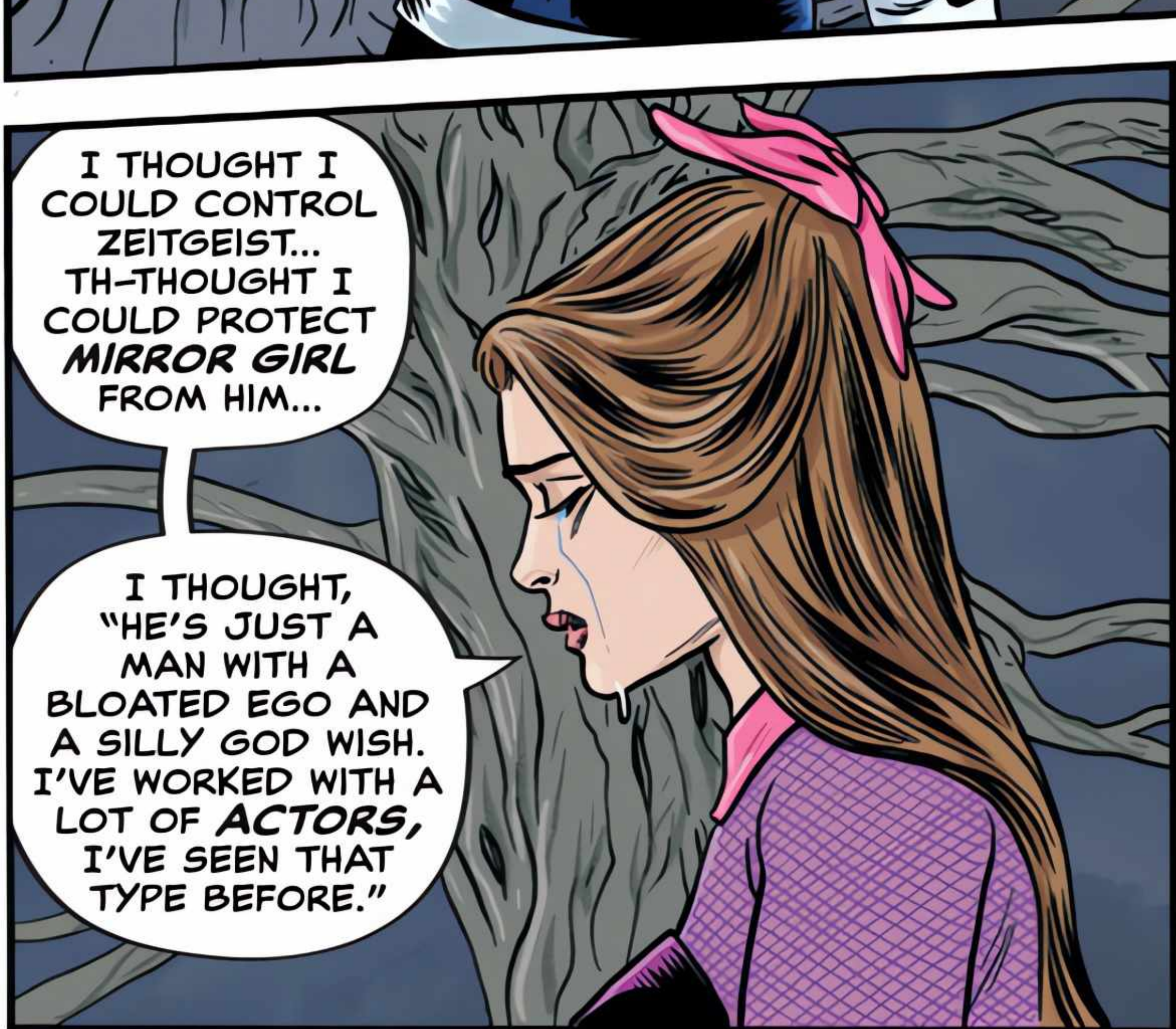
ARTEMIS  
BOLEYN,  
ALSO  
KNOWN AS  
TOODLE  
PIP.

TOODLE PIP  
RIP



I'M  
SURPRISED  
TO FIND YOU  
IN THE LAND  
OF THE  
DEAD.

N-NOT AS  
SURPRISED  
AS I AM,  
SISTER.



I THOUGHT I  
COULD CONTROL  
ZEITGEIST...  
TH-THOUGHT I  
COULD PROTECT  
MIRROR GIRL  
FROM HIM...

I THOUGHT,  
"HE'S JUST A  
MAN WITH A  
BLOATED EGO AND  
A SILLY GOD WISH.  
I'VE WORKED WITH A  
LOT OF ACTORS,  
I'VE SEEN THAT  
TYPE BEFORE."



I GUESS  
I MIGHT HAVE  
UNDERESTIMATED  
HIM.



**THE ZEIT HOUSE.**

I AM NOT YET...A **FULLY GROWN GOD**. NOT AS **DIVINE** AS I WILL EVENTUALLY BE. I AM--IF YOU WILL--IN A STATE OF **BECOMING**.

BUT EVEN THIS...OH...HOW CAN I DESCRIBE HOW IT FEELS TO WRETCHES LIKE YOU? IT'S LIKE TRYING TO EXPLAIN **ALGEBRA** TO **GOLDFISH**.

I DON'T REMEMBER SAYING YOU COULD MOVE, UNO.

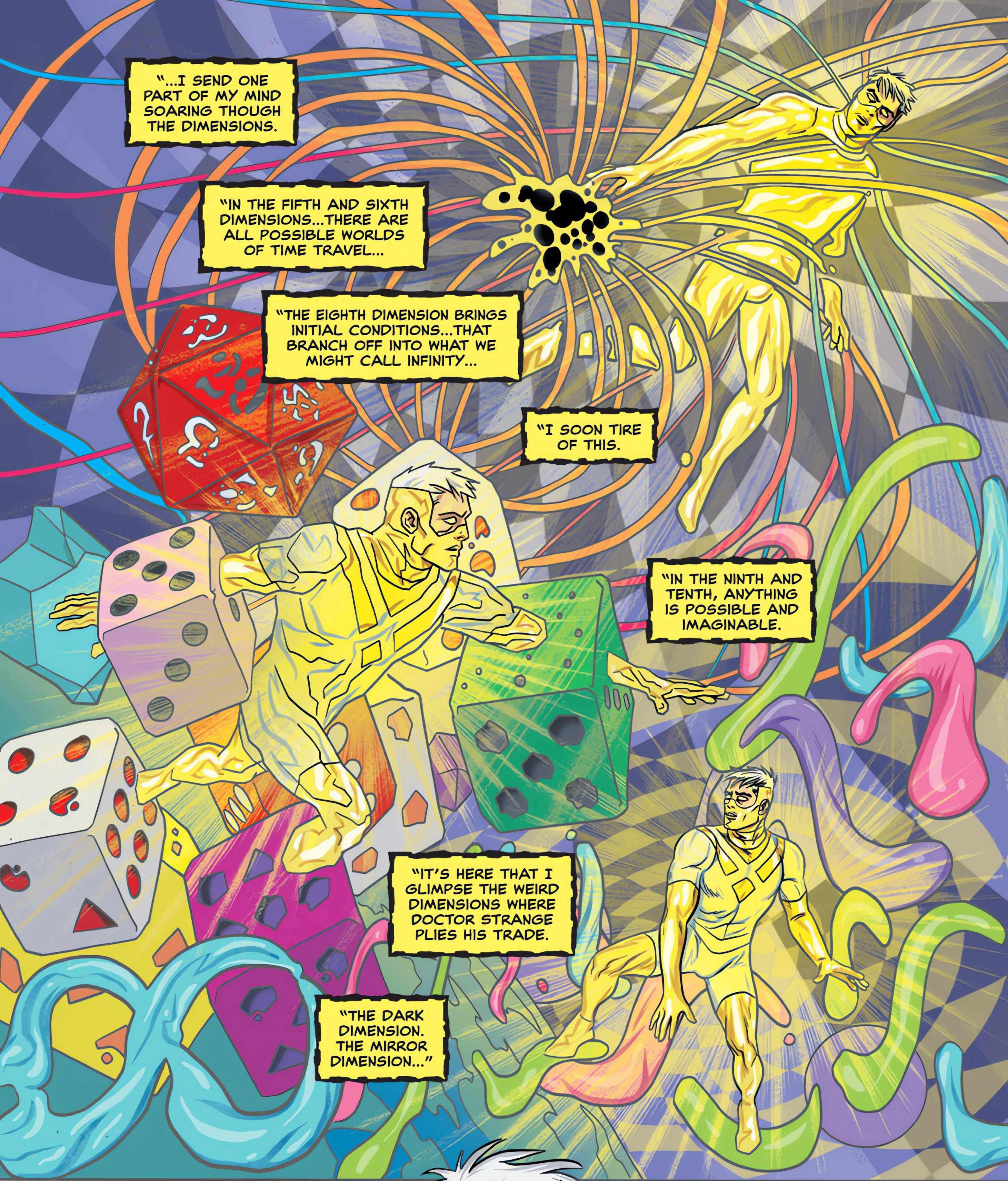
I'M GETTING STIFF, BOSS. I AIN'T BUILT TO GENUFLECT.

IS THIS IT? WE STAY ON OUR KNEES...WHILE YOU JUST **FLOAT** THERE LOOKING **GODLY**?

OH, MIRROR GIRL, I AM DOING SO MUCH MORE THAN SIMPLY **FLOATING** HERE.

IN THIRTY MINUTES OF YOUR DRAB MORTAL TIME, I TRAVEL **LIFETIMES** IN MY OWN SUBJECTIVE REALITY...





"...I SEND ONE PART OF MY MIND SOARING THROUGH THE DIMENSIONS.

"IN THE FIFTH AND SIXTH DIMENSIONS...THERE ARE ALL POSSIBLE WORLDS OF TIME TRAVEL...

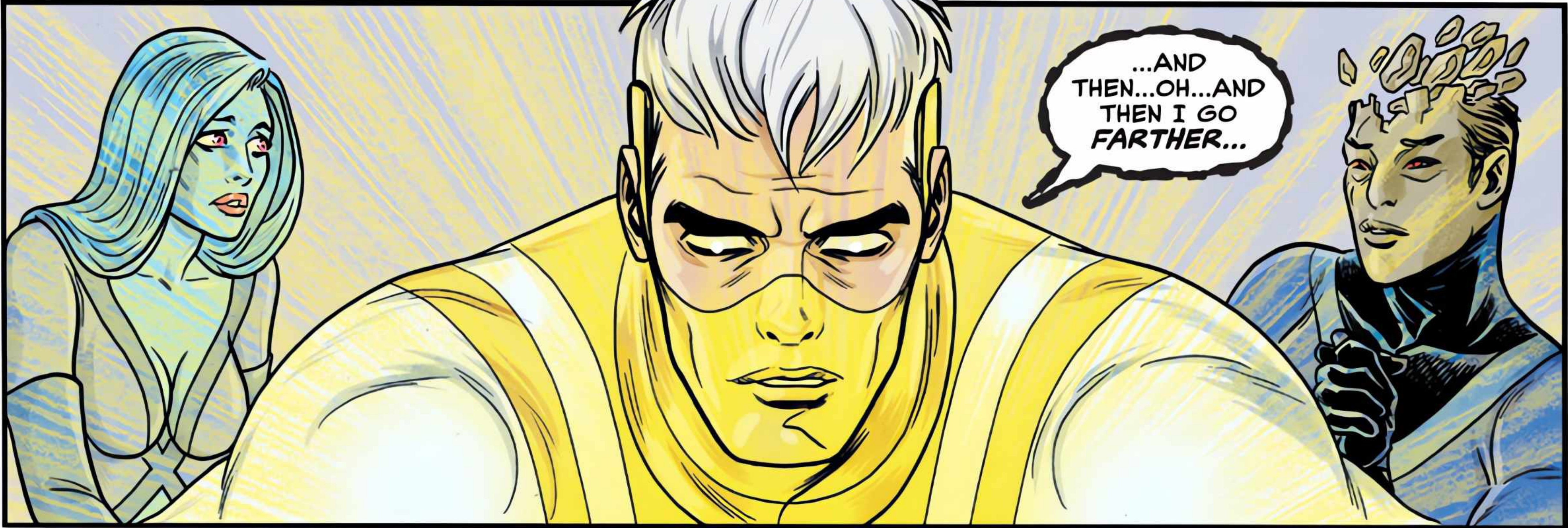
"THE EIGHTH DIMENSION BRINGS INITIAL CONDITIONS...THAT BRANCH OFF INTO WHAT WE MIGHT CALL INFINITY...

"I SOON TIRE OF THIS.

"IN THE NINTH AND TENTH, ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE AND IMAGINABLE.

"IT'S HERE THAT I GLIMPSE THE WEIRD DIMENSIONS WHERE DOCTOR STRANGE PLIES HIS TRADE.

"THE DARK DIMENSION. THE MIRROR DIMENSION..."



...AND THEN...OH...AND THEN I GO FARTHER...





"...SOMEWHERE *BEYOND* HUMAN COMPREHENSION..."

გუთნაფი  
მეუღლე  
აქვარა

YES, DOOP.  
PIP WALKS  
WITH THE DEAD.  
ZEITGEIST  
KILLED HER.

WHY?  
SHE'S THEIR  
TELEPORTER.

BECAUSE  
HE'S CRAZIER  
THAN EVER...AND  
FINALLY TURNING  
INTO A GOD.



WE CAN'T  
WAIT ANY  
LONGER,  
TEAM.

KATIE, CAN  
YOU 'PORT US  
DIRECTLY INTO THE  
ZEIT HOUSE?

FIRST, YOU  
DESTROY OUR  
RELATIONSHIP,  
NOW YOU ASK  
KATIE TO GO ON  
A *SUICIDE*  
MISSION?

THAT AIN'T  
HAPPENING,  
SMITH.

MAYBE WE  
DON'T HAVE A  
CHOICE, MIKE.

IF ZEITGEIST  
REALLY KILLED  
TOODLE PIP...





"...HE **MUST** BE CRAZIER THAN EVER!"

NOW THAT I AM BECOMING A GOD, DOES MY TEAM **DESERVE** ME? I MEAN...IS THERE SOMETHING A LITTLE TOO **B-LIST** ABOUT THEM?

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001221!

GOOD POINT, POOD.



I CERTAINLY COULD KILL THEM ALL AND START AGAIN WITH A NEW TEAM. BUT THAT ISN'T AS EASY AS IT SOUNDS.

THERE ISN'T EXACTLY AN **AGENCY** WHERE I CAN RECRUIT DISAFFECTED MUTANTS.



SOME OF THOSE **X-STATIX** CHARACTERS WOULD MAKE A MUCH MORE FITTING TEAM FOR ME. I'D NEED TO DO SOME **WORK** ON THEM, OF COURSE...

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YOU'RE RIGHT, THEY WON'T JOIN US WILLINGLY.

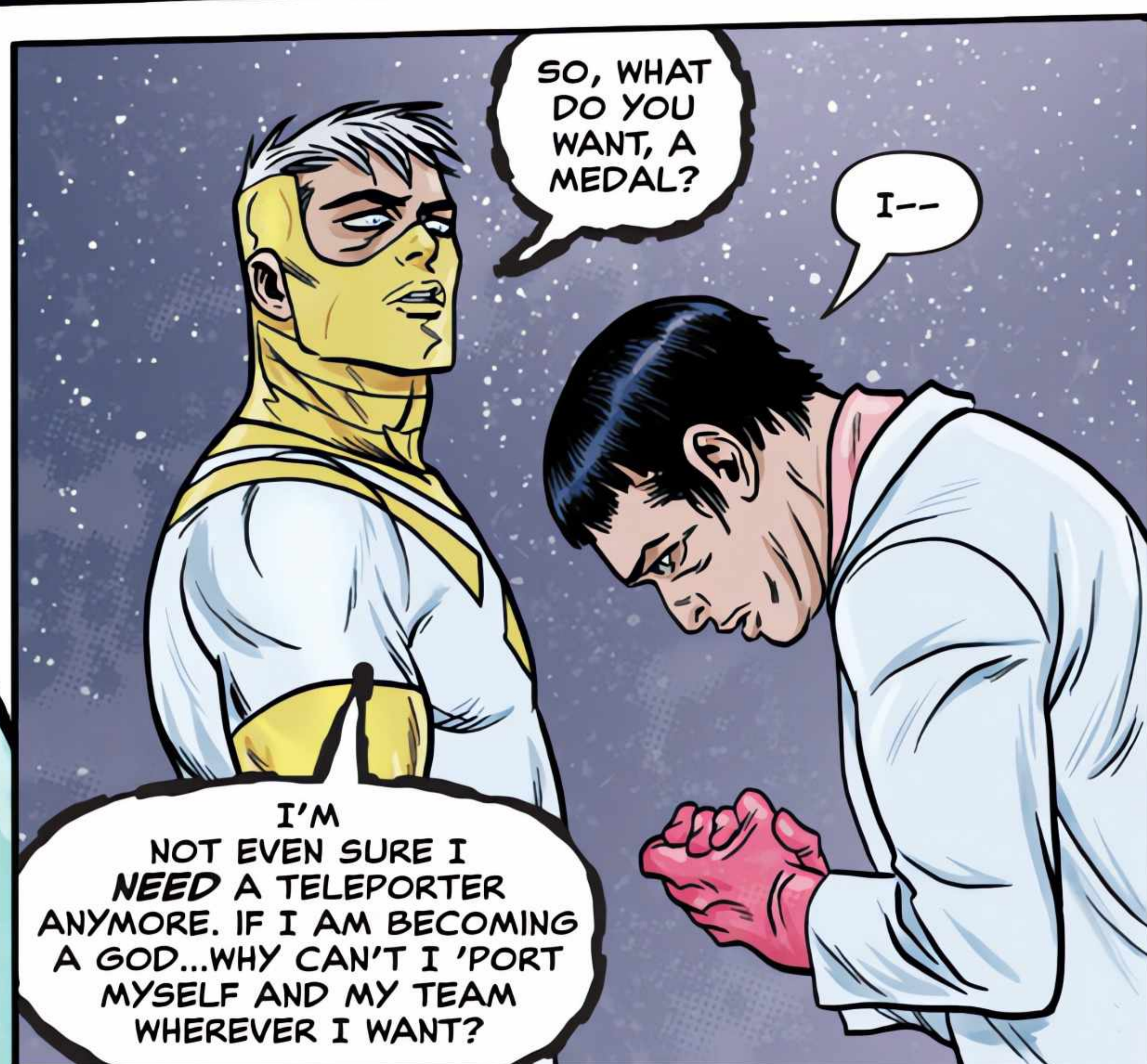
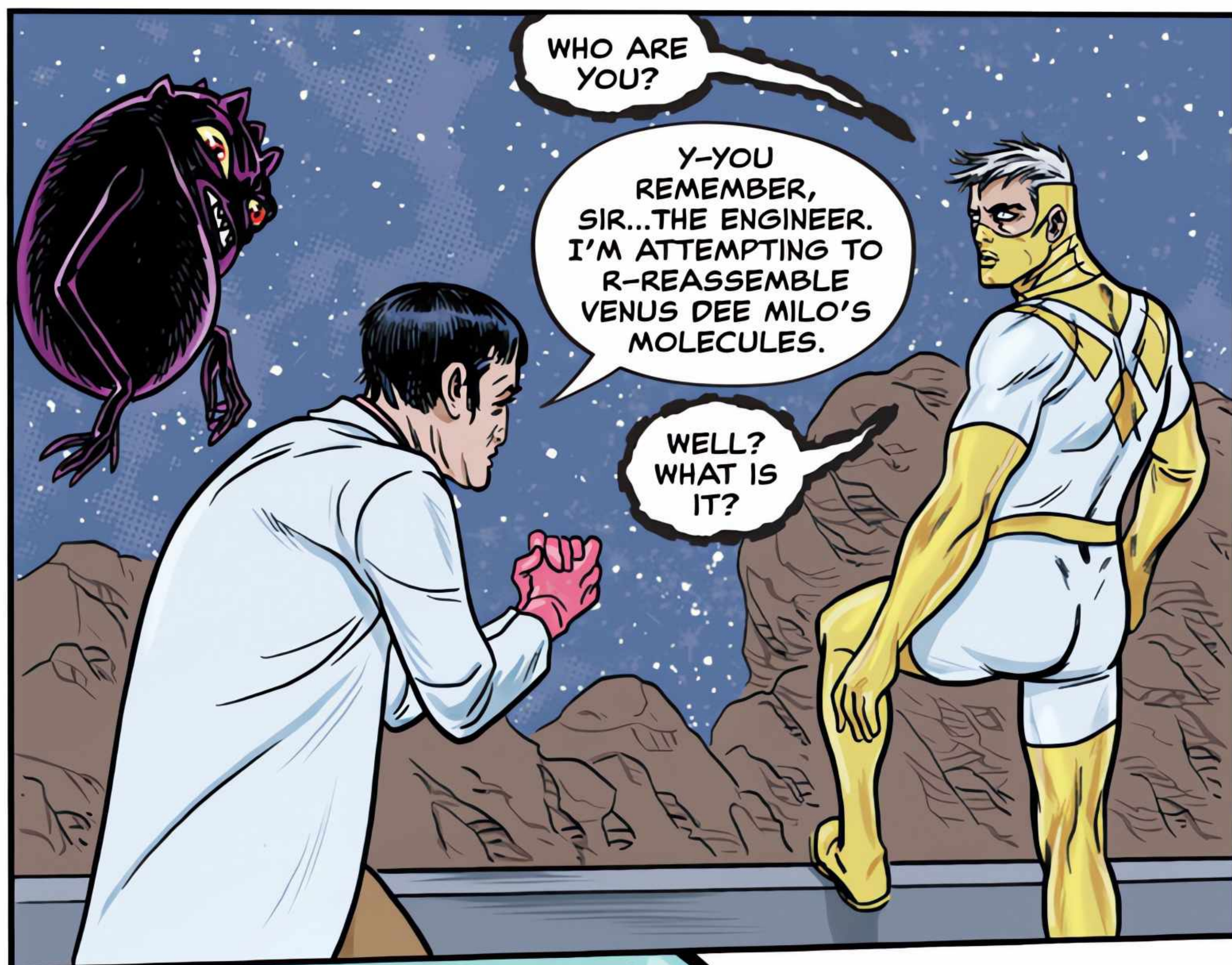


BUT ZEITGEIST THE GOD CAN BE **VERY** PERSUASIVE.



ZEITGEIST? SIR...?

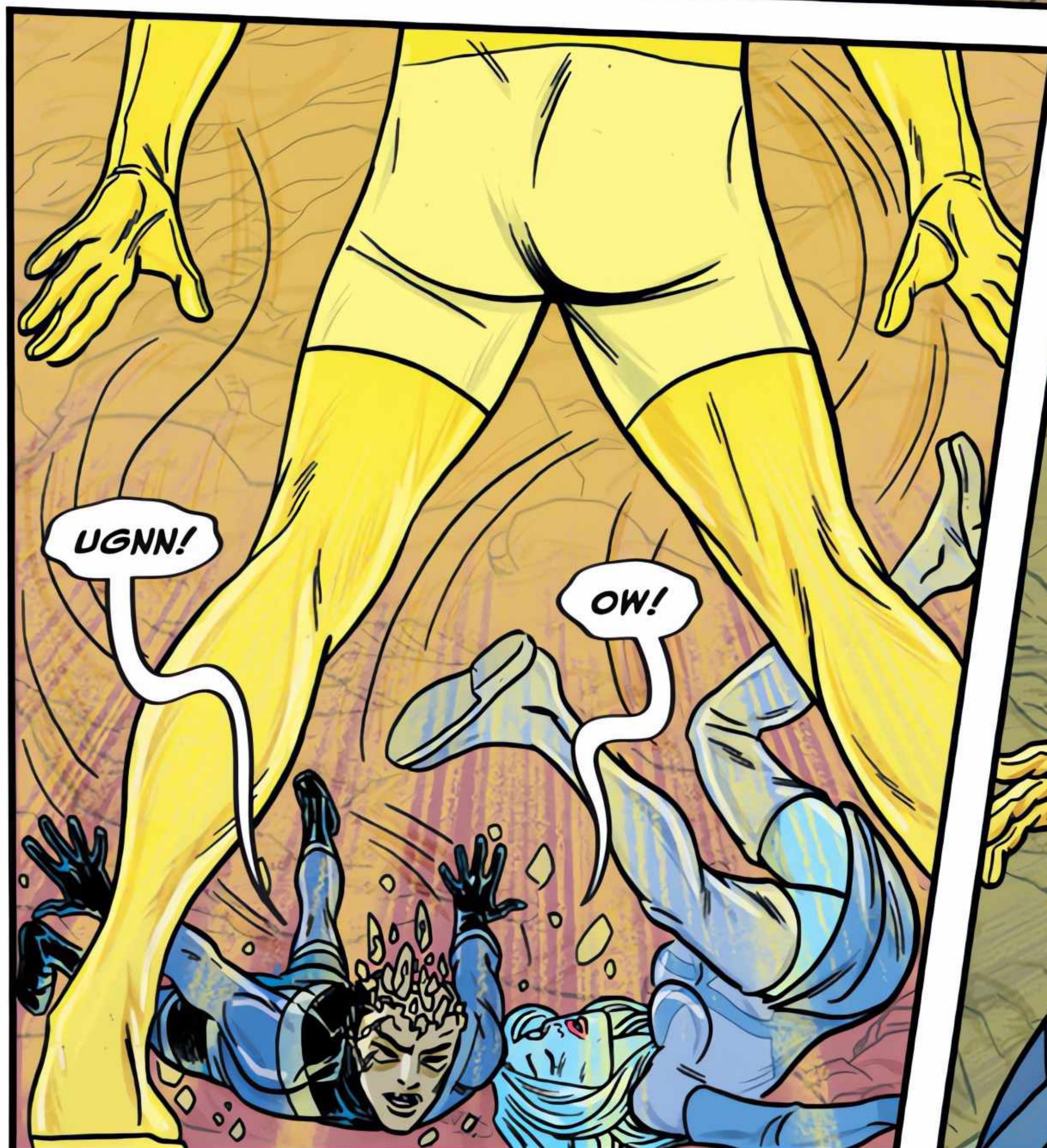
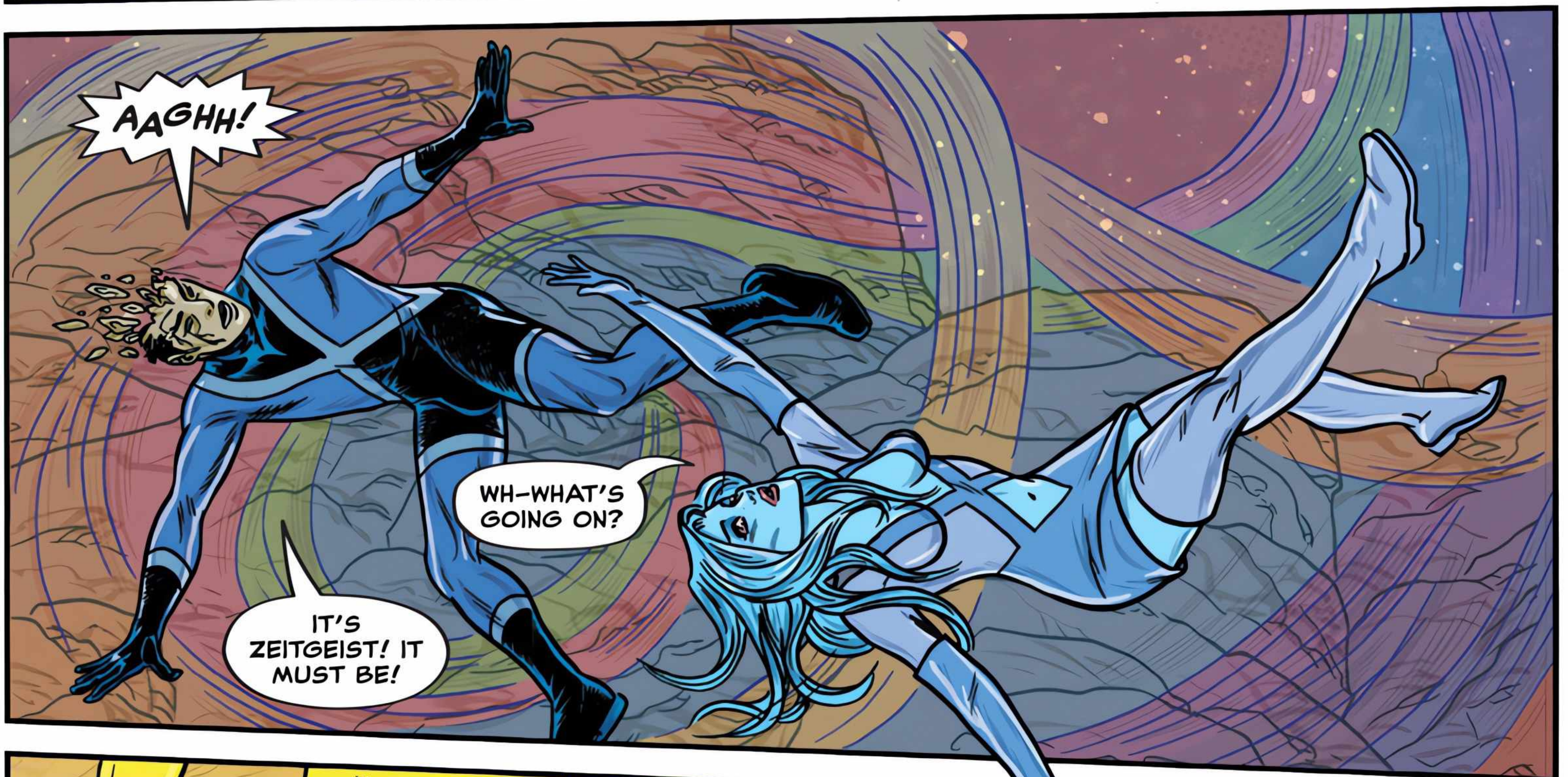
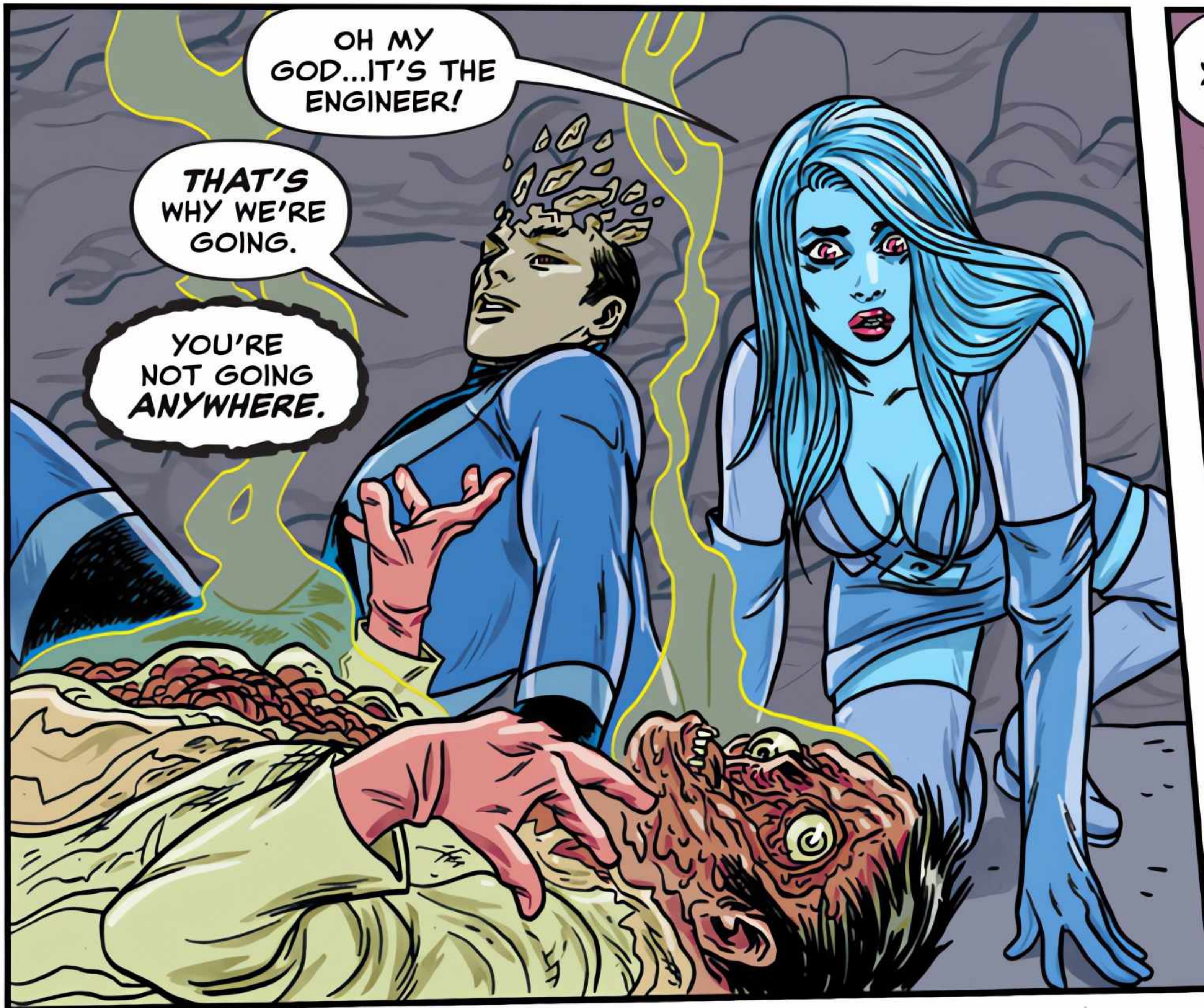




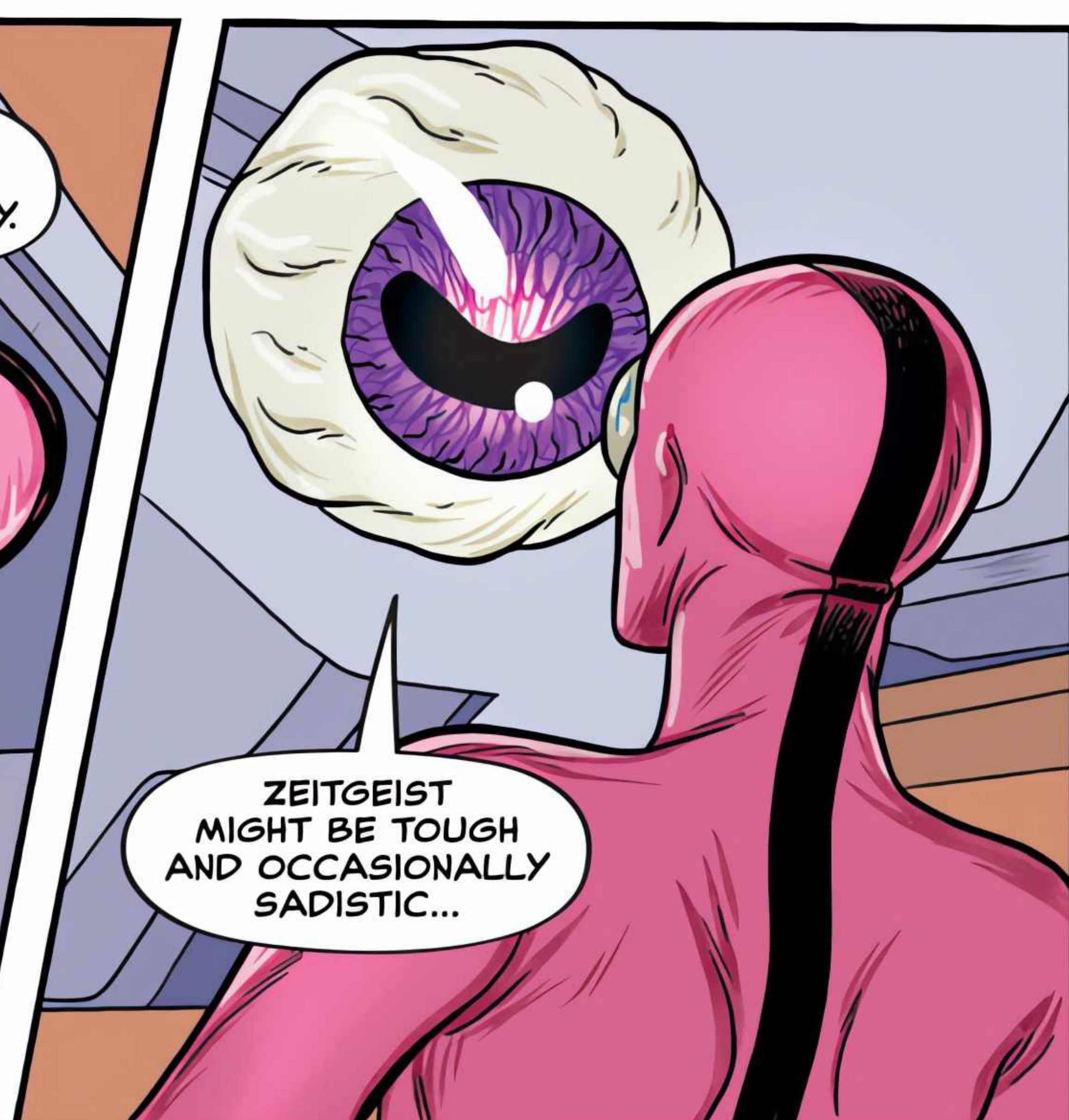
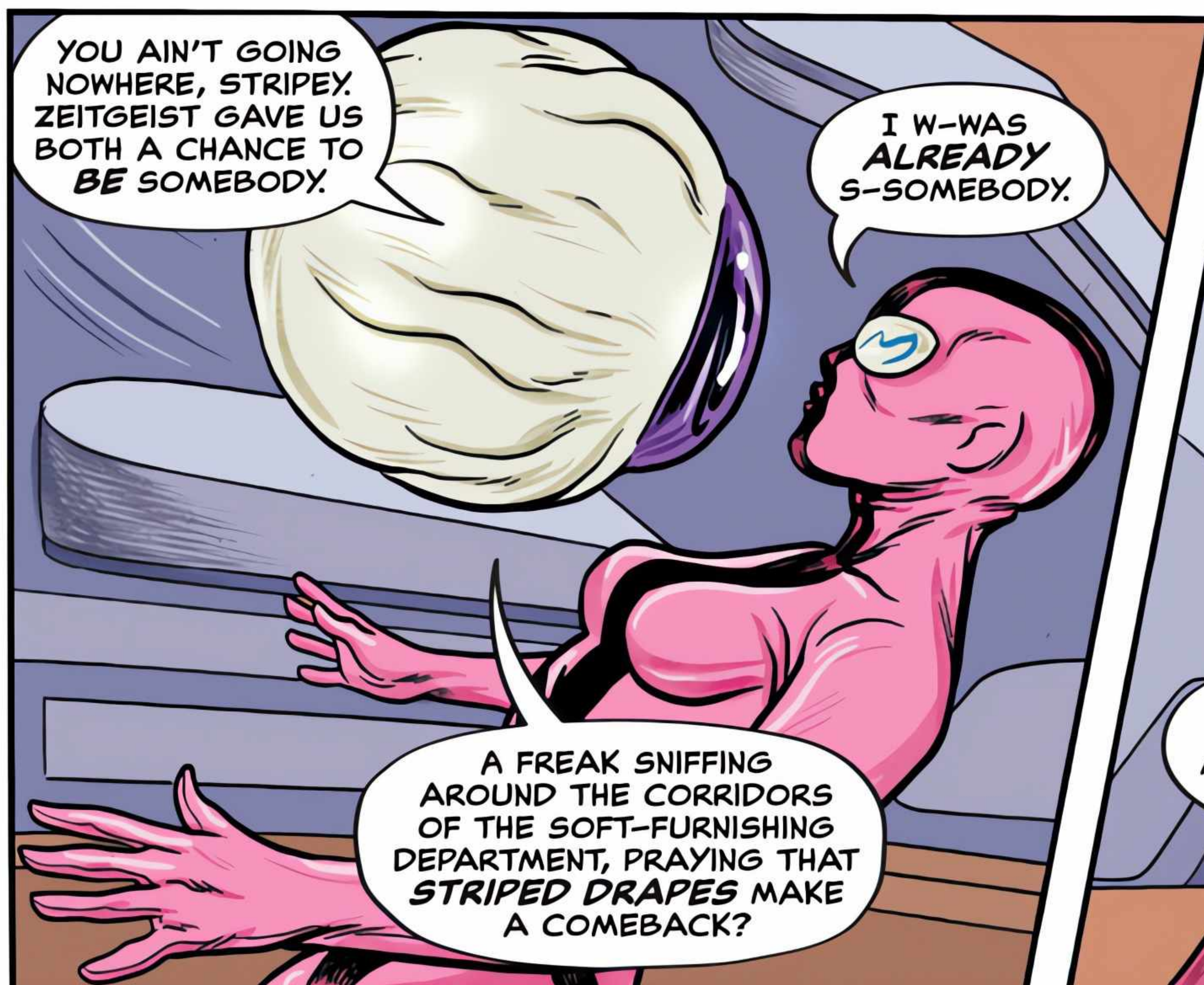
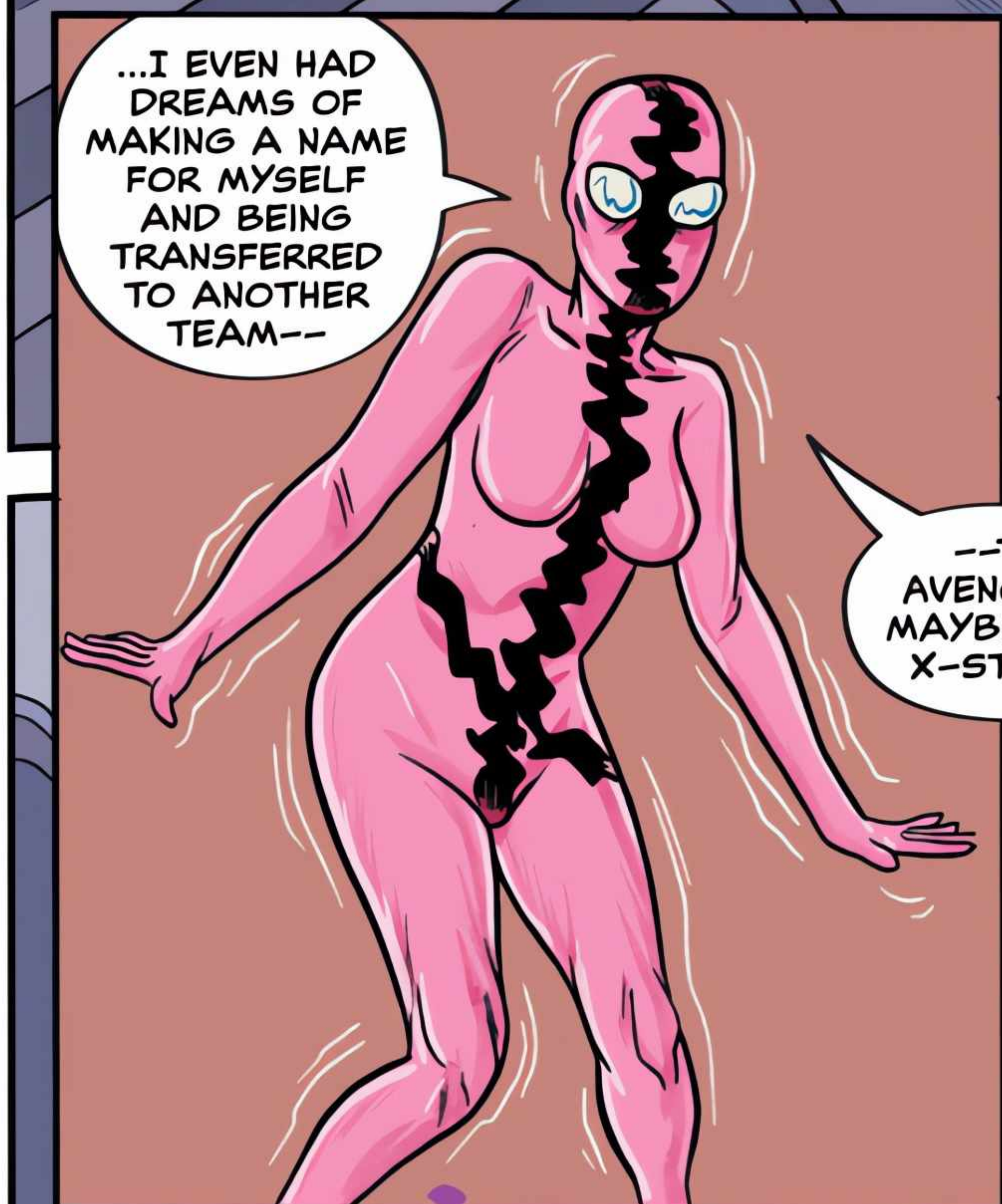
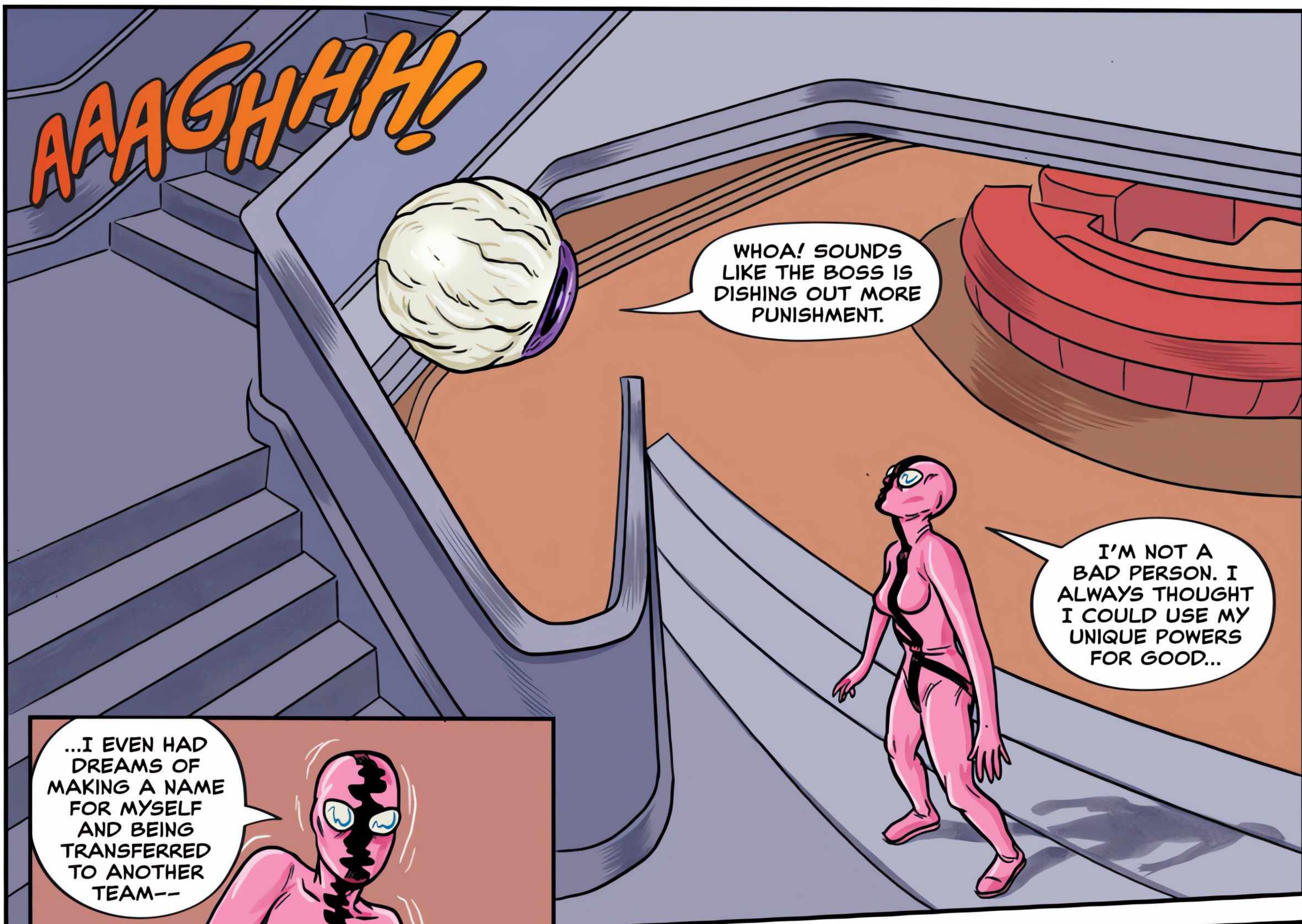




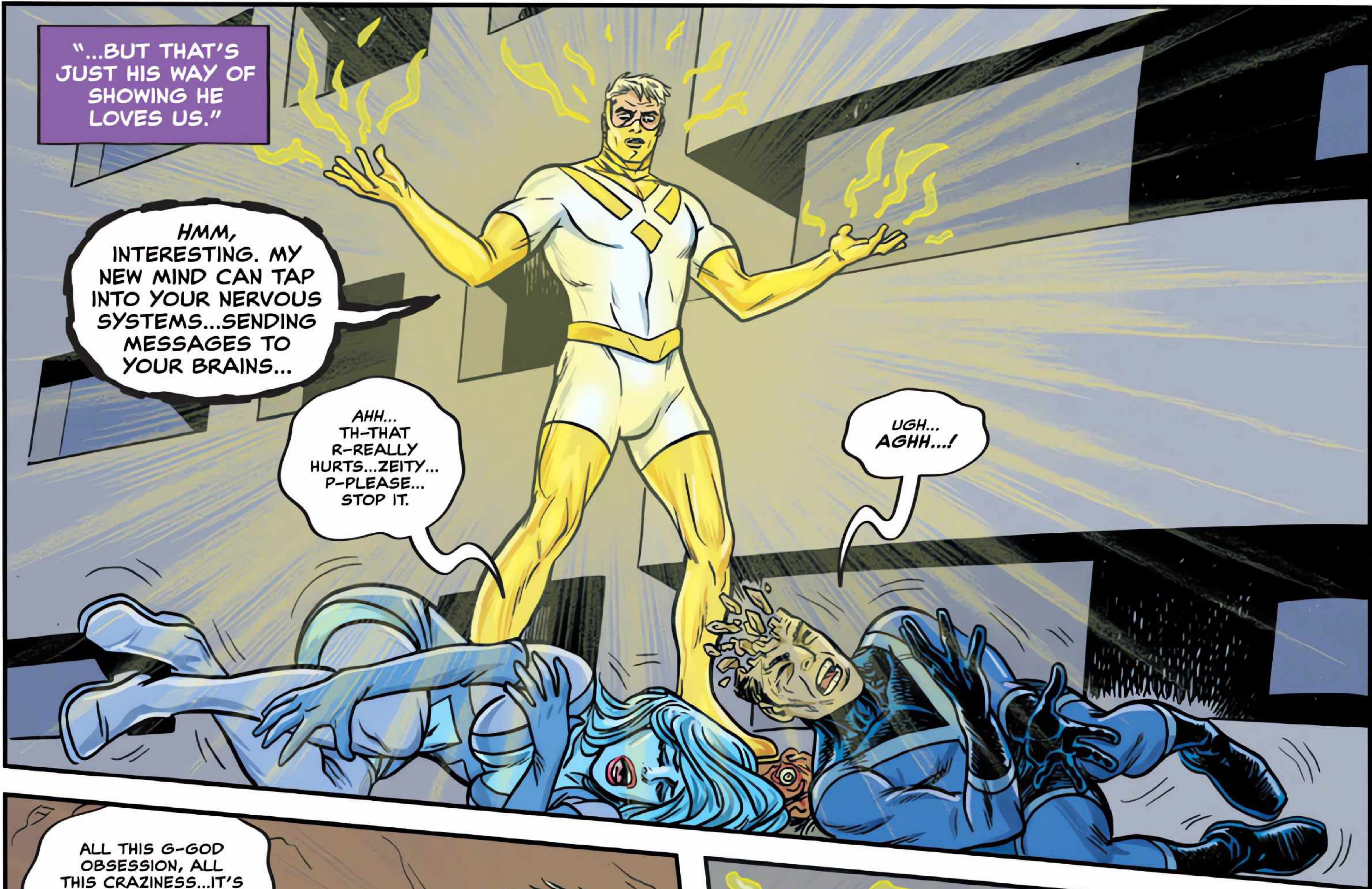




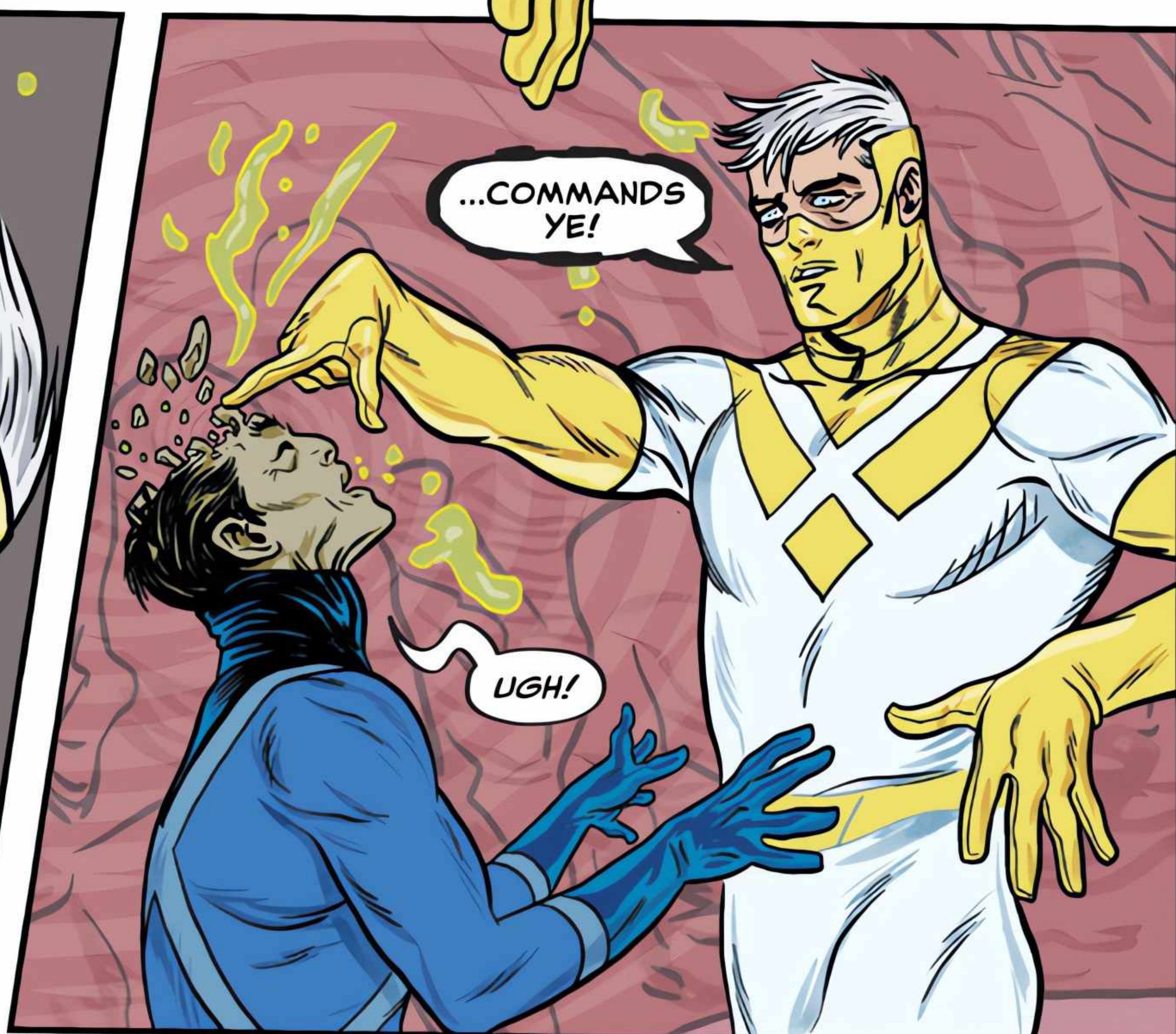
















WAIT...

...WE HAVE VISITORS.

VERY NICE 'PORTING, KATIE! U-GO GIRL COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT BETTER.

TO BE ULTRA PICKY, IT WAS A LITTLE BUMPY OVER THE MOJAVE.

DOOP, GET SOME NICE CLOSE-UPS. X-STATIX VS. X-CELLENT: RUMBLE IN THE ZEIT HOUSE IS GOING TO BE A BOX-OFFICE SENSATION!



BUT WHERE IS EVERYONE?

MAYBE THEY'RE STILL IN BED.

MAN, THIS IS GOING TO BE TOO EASY!



EVERYONE, STAY IN FORMATION. IT COULD BE A TRAP.

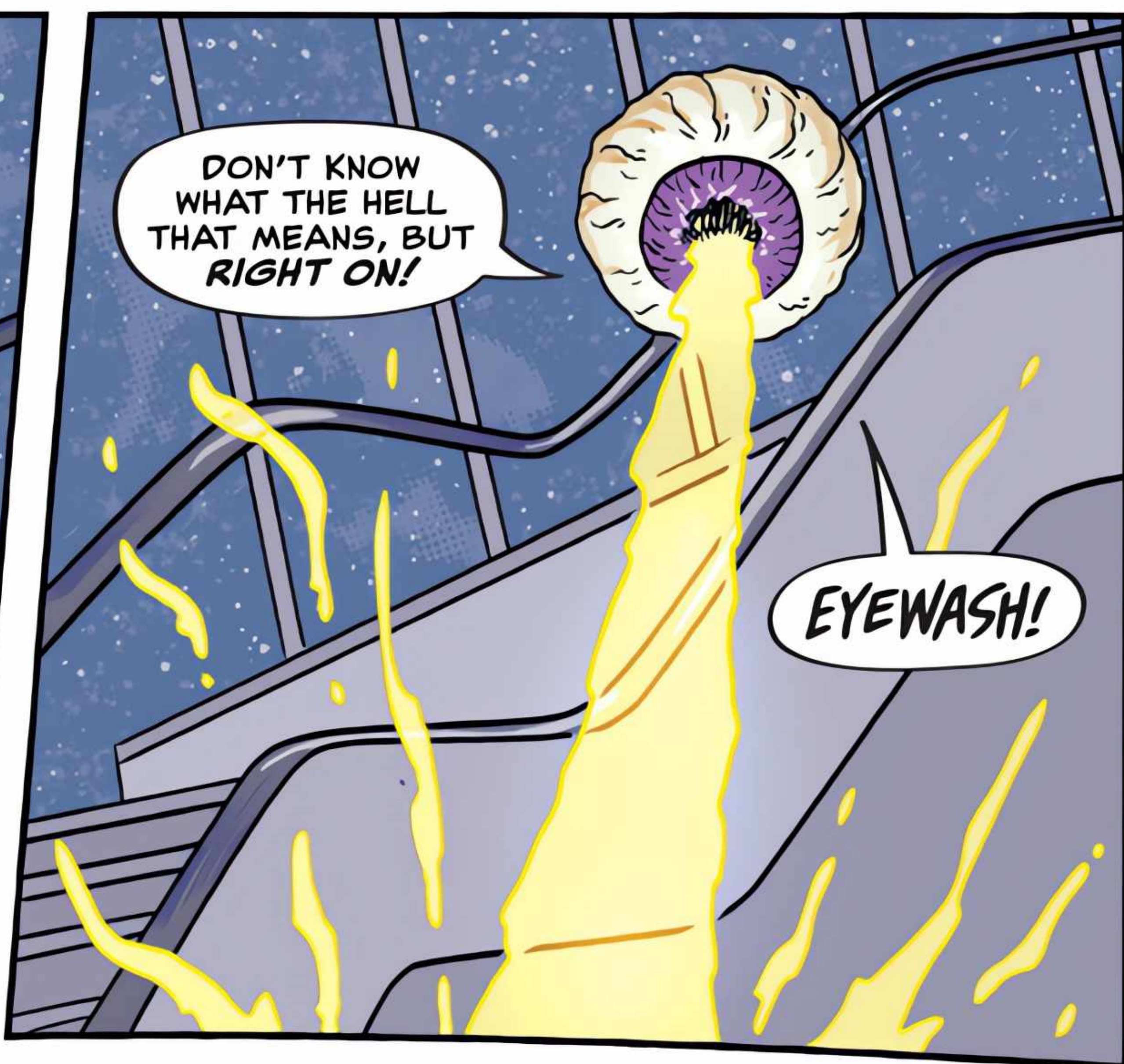
I'D SAY THAT'S HIGHLY PROBABLE.

"AS A DOG RETURNS TO ITS VOMIT..."





...SO A  
TEAM OF  
HAS-BEEN  
SUPER HEROES  
RETURNS TO  
ITS FOLLY!



DON'T KNOW  
WHAT THE HELL  
THAT MEANS, BUT  
**RIGHT ON!**

**EYEWASH!**



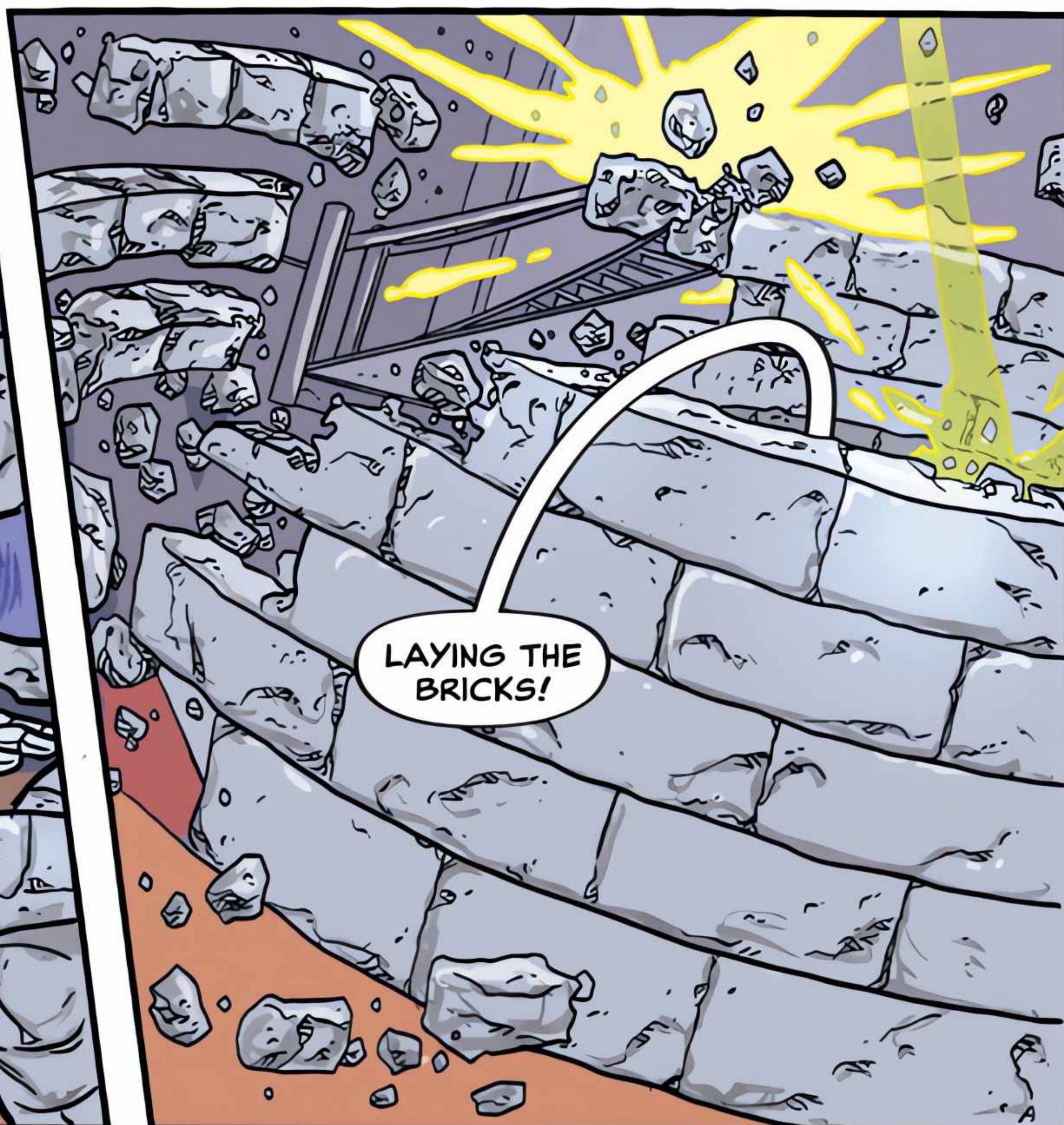
IT'S  
GETTING  
HOT!

**YOU  
AIN'T WEARING  
A COAT OF  
SUBCUTANEOUS  
MUTANT  
BLUBBER!**

**ROSA!  
BUILD THE  
WALL!**

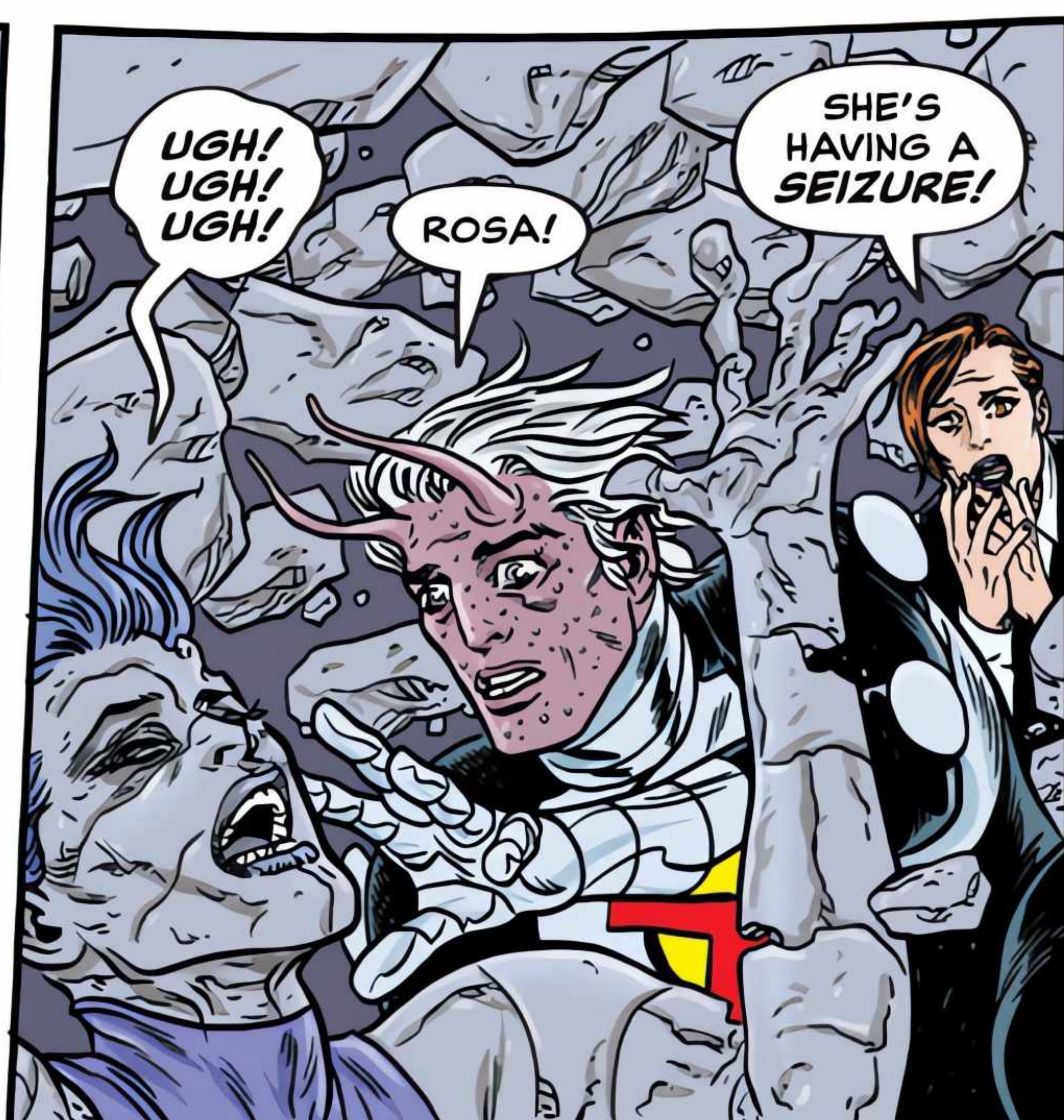
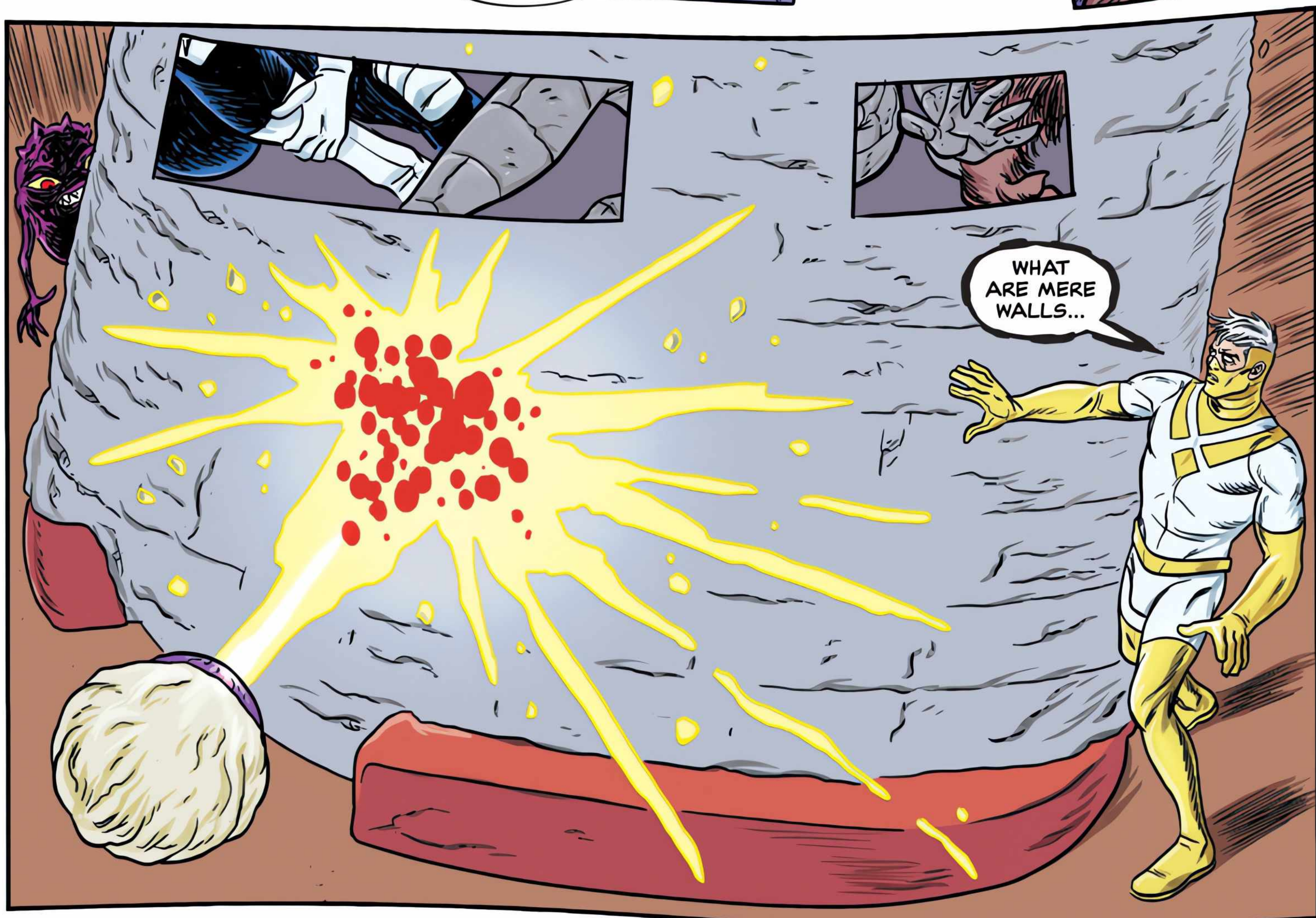


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THE BRICKS,  
HERR GUY!

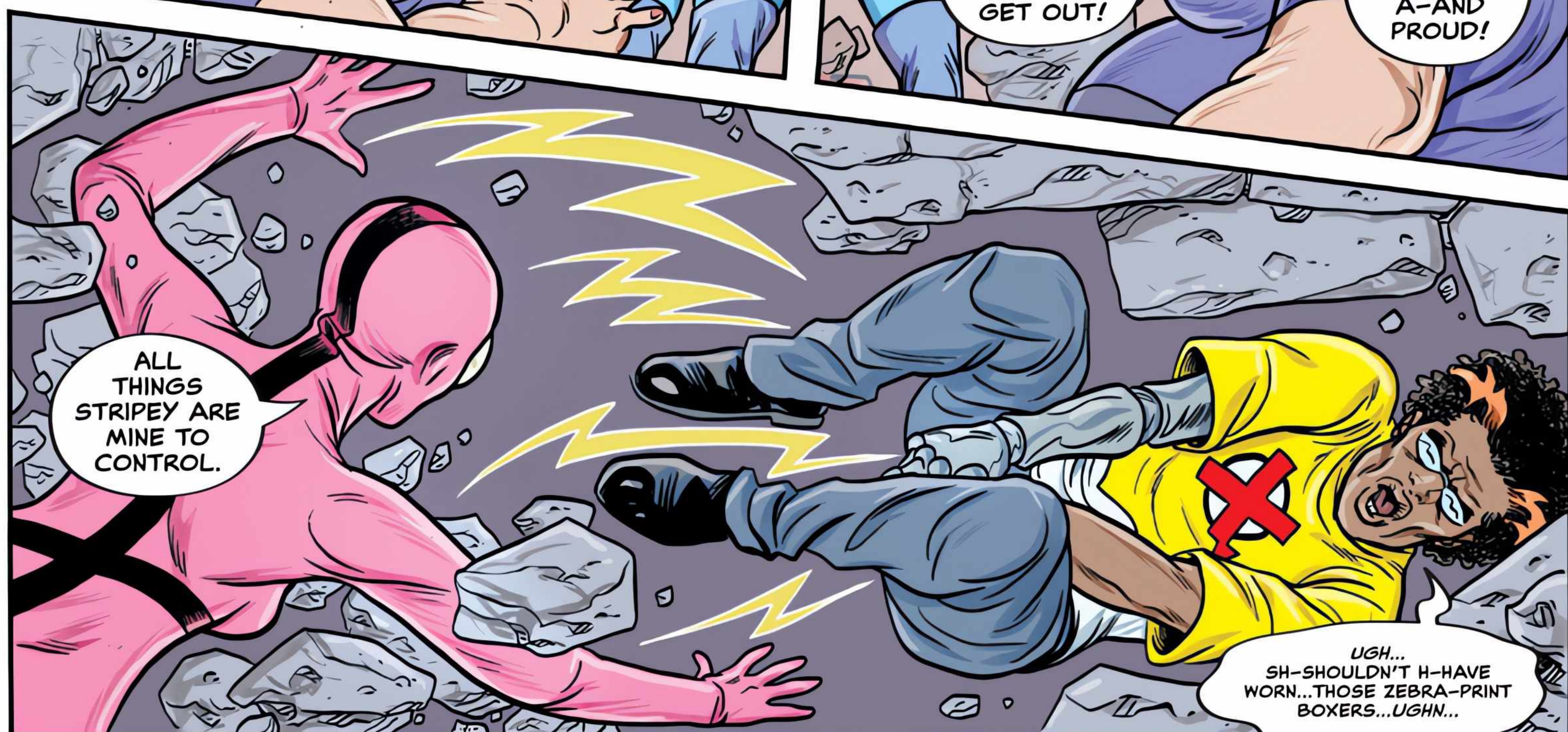
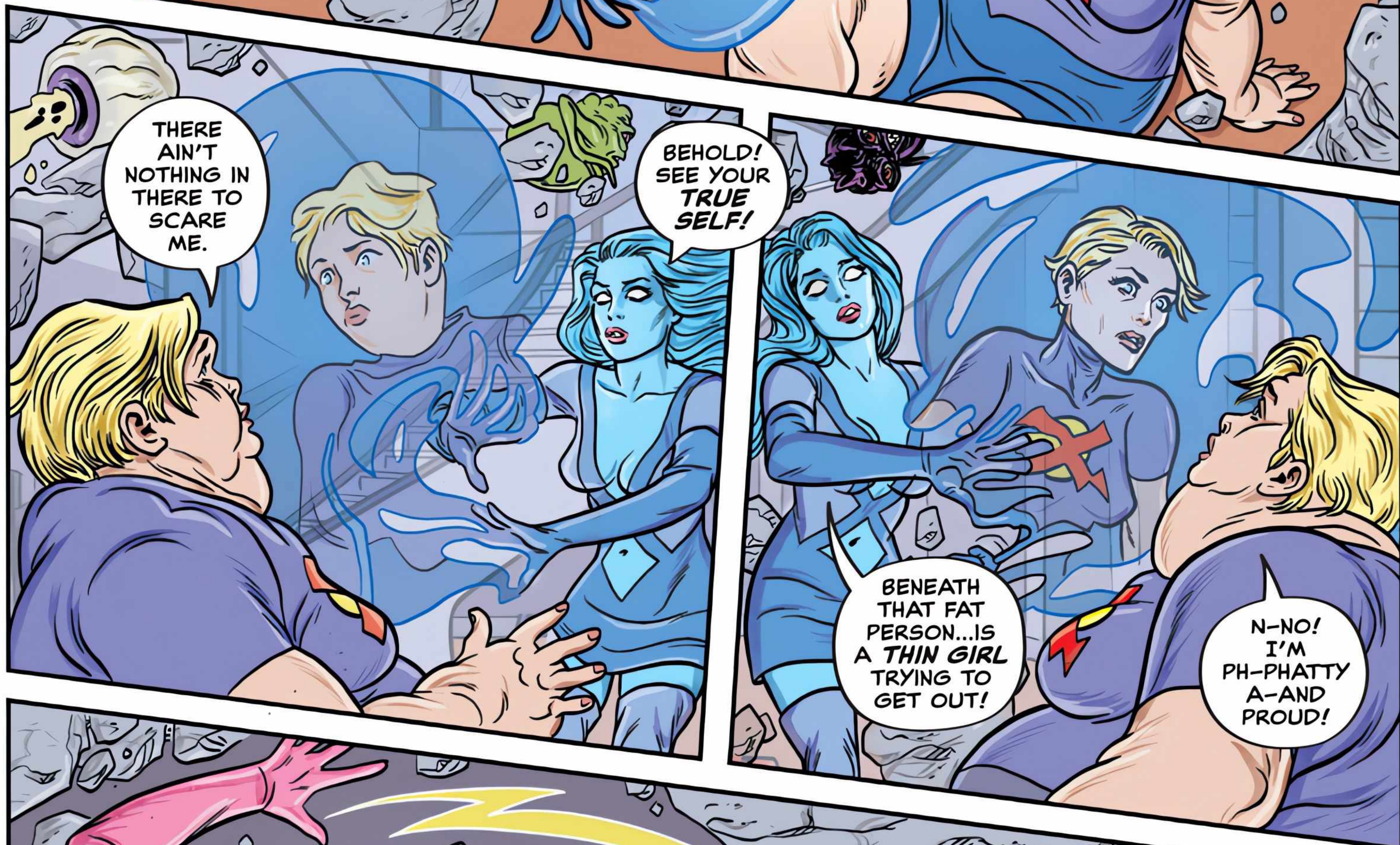
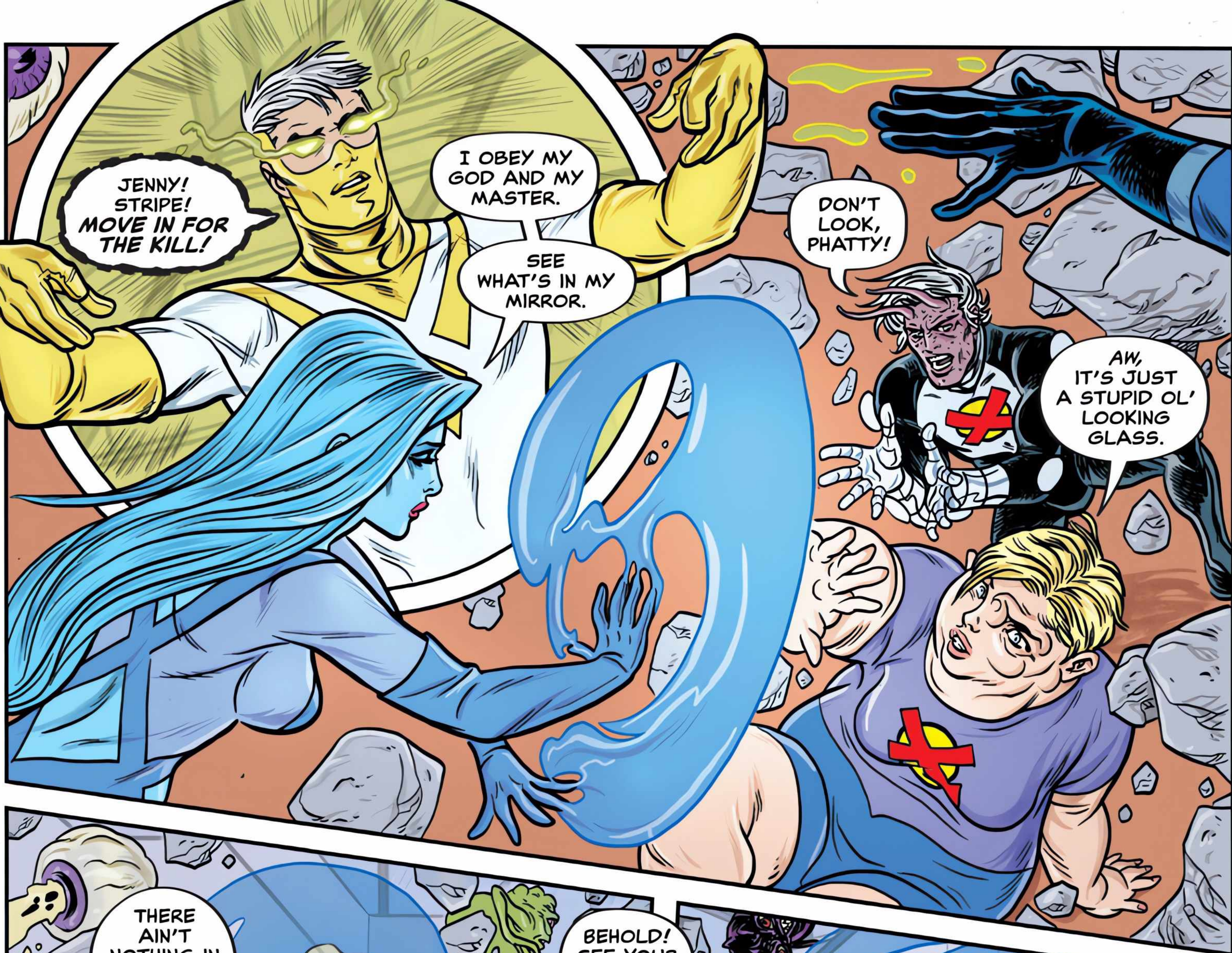


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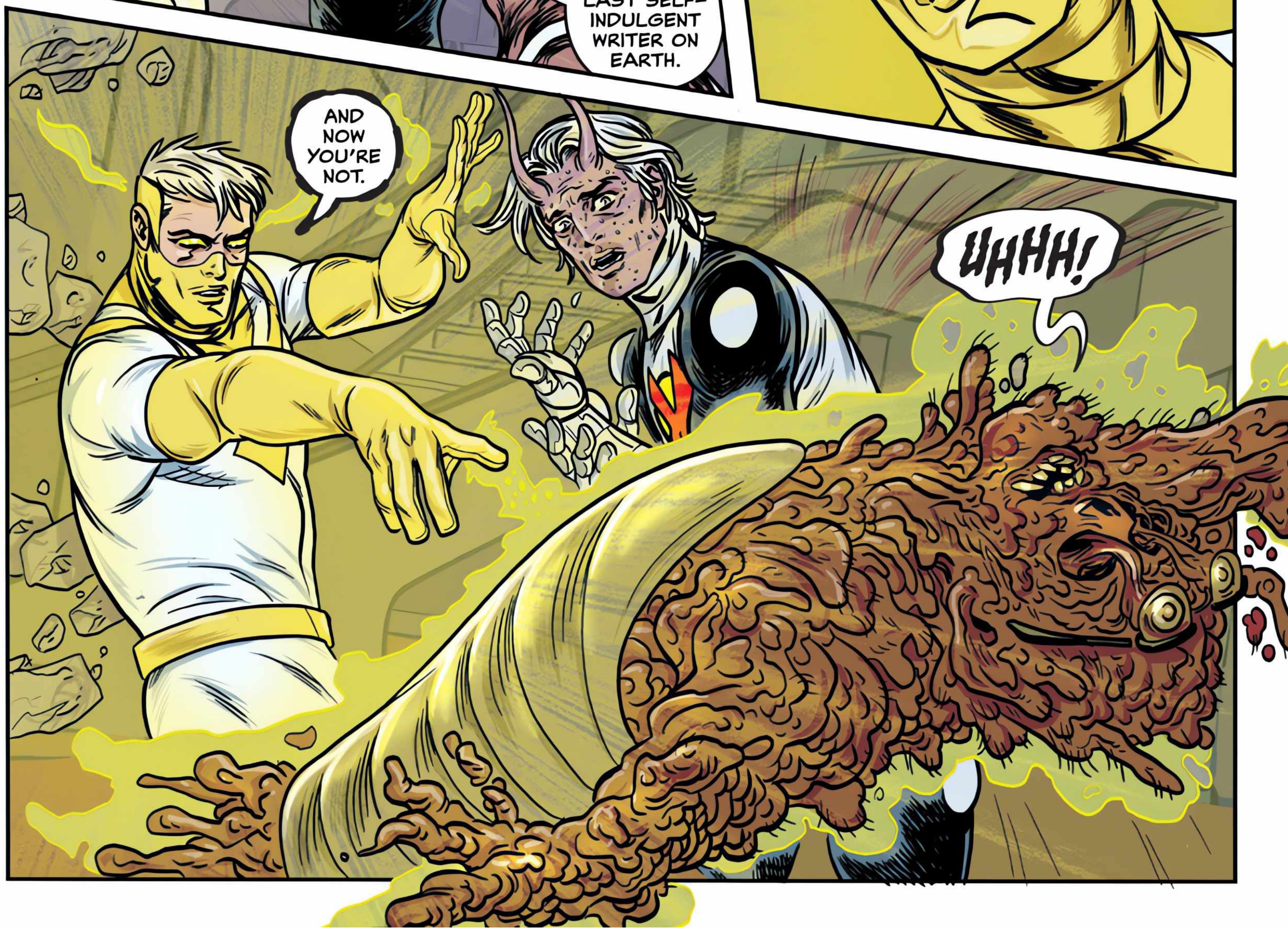
















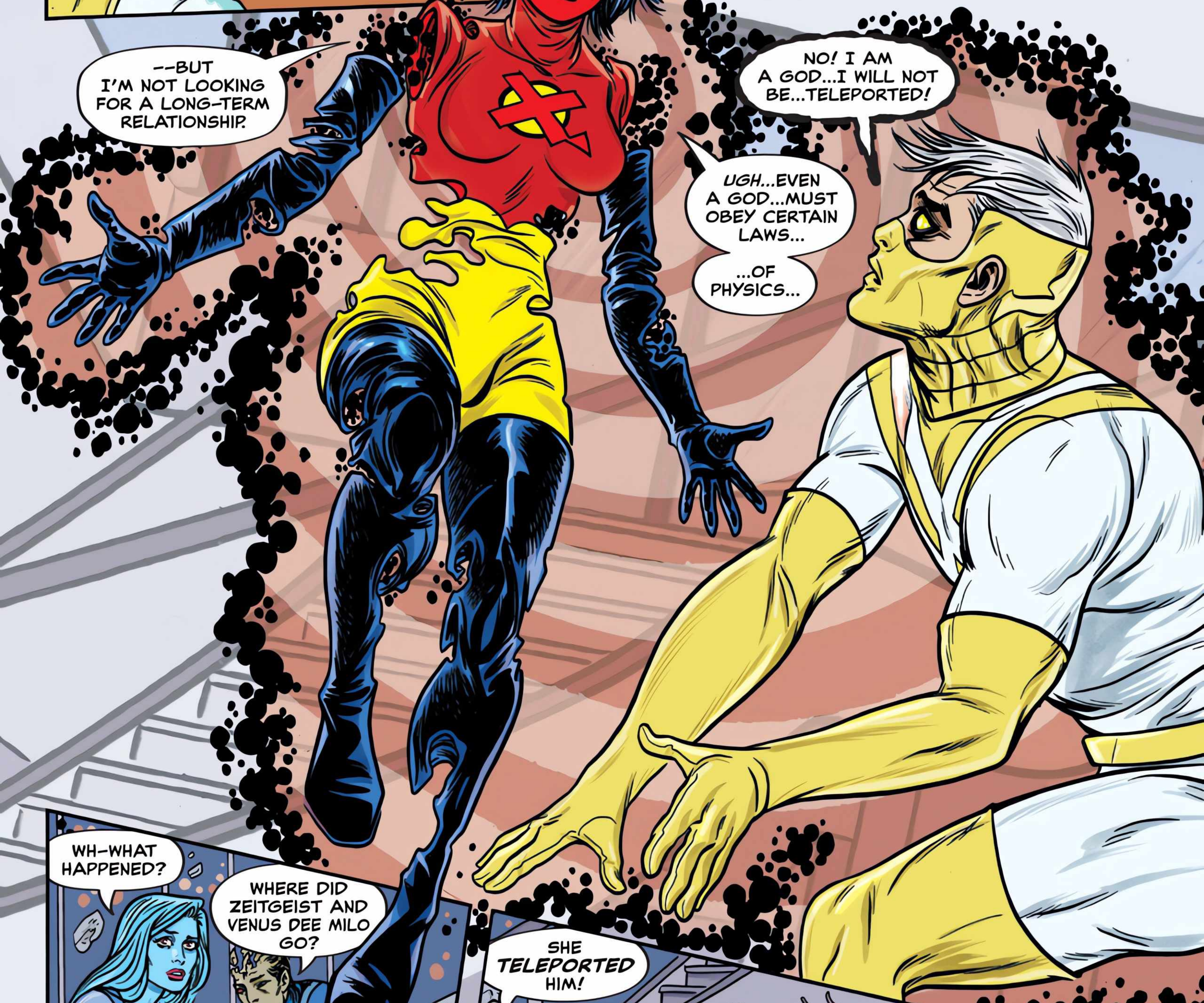
D-DOOP,  
CAN'T YOU DO  
ANYTHING?

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אנחנו  
במצוקה

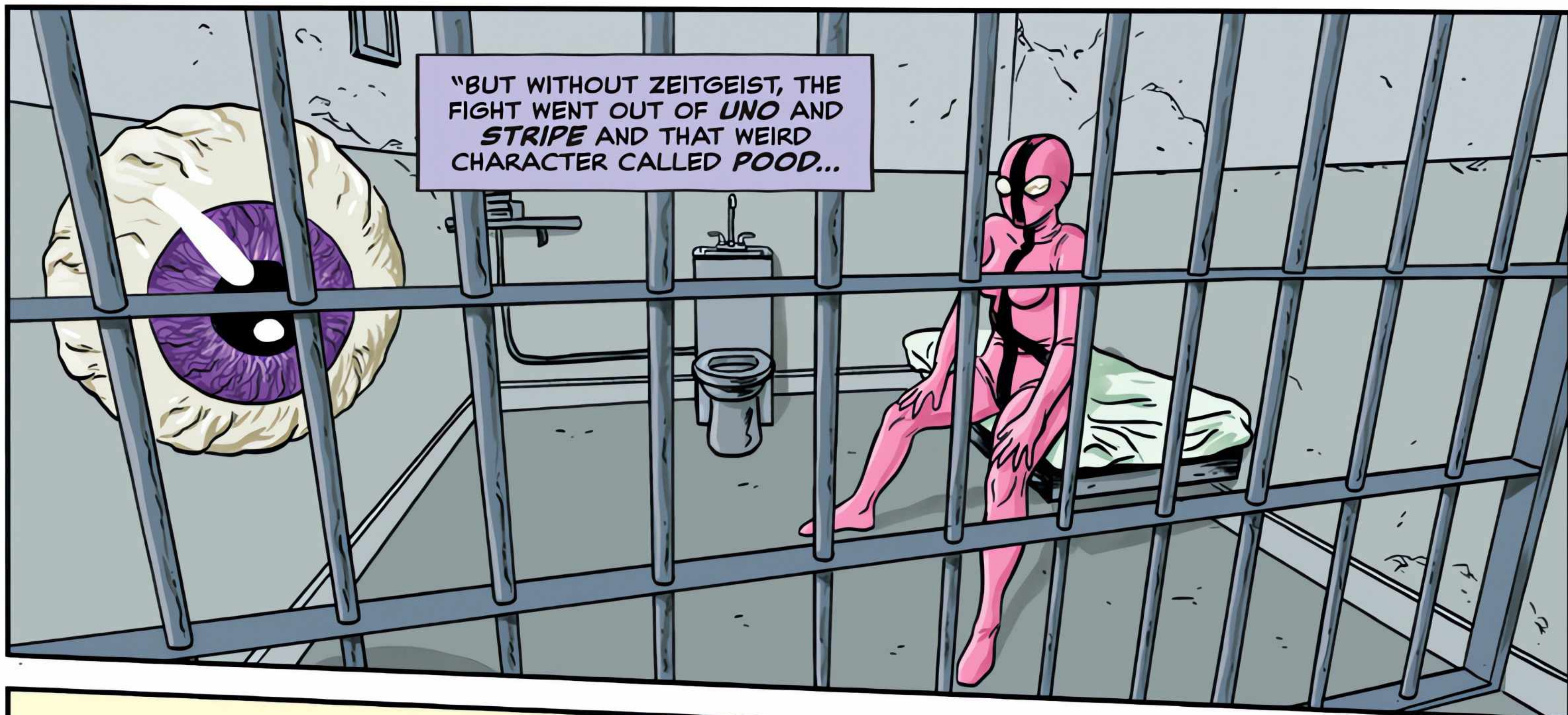
NOW, THEN...  
THE LAST DREGS  
OF X-STATIX. WHO  
SHALL I USE, AND  
WHO SHALL I  
KILL?

ZEITGEIST?











"...PLACES EVEN  
A *GOD* WILL  
HAVE TROUBLE  
FINDING HIS WAY  
OUT OF."

AAAAGGGHHHHH

GGGGGGGGGGHHH

**THE  
END**